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In the Application of)
Keiji Nakahara et al.)
Title: METHOD OF MANUFACTURING) Group Art Unit: 1725
LIGHTWEIGHT HIGH-STRENGTH)
MEMBER) Examiner: K. McHenry
Serial No.: 10/040,738)
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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

SIR:

In response to the Final Office Action dated September 5, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows: